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## Local Option Deception

### Inconsistency of Its Advocates

The failure of prohibition wherever tried is so susceptible of proof that it is not strange the advocates of local option deny that it means prohibition.

It does mean that and nothing else, and the trend has always been toward State prohibition. First local prohibition, then county prohibition, and finally State prohibition. This is the history of the movement in Georgia, Alabama, and Mississippi, and on May 27th North Carolina is to act on the question of superseding local option with State prohibition.

Why lie about it? The record can't be wiped out. The more radical and honest advocates like Mrs. Armor do not hesitate to declare that local option is only a step to prohibition. State and National. Any claim to the contrary is deceptive, fallacious, false.

But why local option? The declaration is made that it is in line with the policy of popular government.

But if local self-government on the liquor question, why not on other questions?

If any political division, however small, may determine its policy as to the liquor traffic, why not in any other matter? In many sections there is a strong sentiment against Sunday closing laws. New York City, Chicago and many other large municipalities would, if given the right of local control, permit the opening of all places of amusement on Sunday as on other days.

The Legislature of New York State is grappling with the question of race track gambling. Why not pass a local option law? Let Coney Island, Saratoga or any other locality decide the question for themselves. The demand for local option by wards, etc., might also be carried to the regulation of the social evil. There are sections in nearly all cities known as the "tenderloin" or "red light districts." Let these districts decide by popular vote what the regulation shall be. Why not?

It is the true theory of popular government, say the advocates of prohibition: If so, why not extend it?

What is the difference between Tweedle Dee and Tweedle Dum?

The people who believe that regulation is better than prohibition on these other questions have the same right of majority rule that the prohibitionists have on the liquor question.

If a minority in any political division must submit to the will of the majority in one respect, why not in all?

For years the city of Davenport, Iowa, exercised a practical independence of the laws of the State of Iowa as regards the Sunday question. Davenport was also a wide open city in other respects. But the same element that is crying for local self-government in Pennsylvania to day demanded that Davenport should be subject to the general laws of Iowa, and have finally succeeded in taking from that city local control of its policy on Sunday observance and some other important questions.

The United Societies of Chicago demanded that the citizens of that city be permitted to vote on "Sunday opening," but every local option-prohibition howler in the State of Illinois vigorously protested.

If local option is part of the American system of government, let us have it, but let us have it on the square!

If the theory of popular government is to be bespoken so fine as this, then there should be no class discrimination.

In Milwaukee, St. Louis, Chicago, Cincinnati, New York, and other cities where our foreign-born citizens desire the pleasures to which they are accustomed: the beer garden, the Sunday concert, theatre, or anything else—let the vote be taken and the majority rule. If the prohibitionists don't like it, let them move out—that is what they tell the liberals to do where objection is made to their fanatical regulations. If the Sunday concert draws a larger crowd than the preacher, let the preacher learn to fiddle and get into the swim.

At least, let us be consistent, and the prohibitionists who want local option in Pennsylvania be compelled to grant it in Maine, Georgia, Alabama, and elsewhere, and in all relations.

If it is right in one place, it is right in all; if it is right as regards one question, it is right as regards all questions. But the contention that local option is in accord with our theory of government cannot be maintained.

The constitutional subdivisions of government are the States. It is silly to atomize the States into minor subdivisions on questions that affect the whole body politic as does this question of prohibition, or as to the question of Sunday observance, of gambling, etc.

It is even now maintained that in the important matters of marriage and divorce, of corporations, of transportation, of protection to labor, the power should be centralized instead of being distributed.

Why, then, this false cry on the one issue—that fanaticism has projected into the arena of political discussion? What will they next propose?

Shall we say to the night riders in Kentucky, now prowling through the prohibition counties of that State, destroying crops, burning buildings, and committing all crimes from arson to murder: "This is a question of popular government; take a vote on what crops your neighbors shall raise?"

Local option is the destruction of popular government; it is subversive of every constitutional principle, and, carried to its ultimate, means chaos.

Let the National Government declare the policies within its jurisdiction and make the laws to enforce them. Let the State formulate policies and enact them into laws for equal application to the whole citizenship without discrimination.

This is government—anything else is misrule, anarchy!

## NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS

### Pencader Hundred!

The taxable residents of Pencader Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1910 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be at

GLASGOW  
October 26th, November 30th,  
From 1 to 4 o'clock, P. M.

SUMMIT RIDGE  
October 27th, November 24th,  
From 10 to 12 o'clock, A. M.

KIRKWOOD  
October 27th, November 24th,  
From 1 to 4 o'clock, P. M.

DARTY'S MILL  
October 28th, November 25th,  
From 10 to 12 o'clock, A. M.

STANTON'S CROSS  
October 28th, November 25th,  
From 1 to 4 o'clock, P. M.

Tax bills can be obtained by making personal application to the Collector, or by sending written communication, enclosing stamps.

EXTRACT FROM THE LAWS OF DELAWARE, GOVERNING THE COLLECTION OF TAXES OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY, SECTION 3, CHAPTER 30, VOLUME 21, LAWS OF DELAWARE, AS AMENDED:

Section 3.—That on all taxes paid before the first day of October there shall be an abatement of five per centum. On all taxes paid before the first day of December there shall be an abatement of three per centum. On all taxes paid during the month of December there shall be no abatement whatever. And on all taxes unpaid on the first day of January five per centum thereof shall be added thereto.

JOHN T. WRIGHT,  
Collector of Taxes for Pencader Hundred

## NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS

### St. Georges Hundred!

The taxable residents of St. Georges Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1910 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be at

A. G. COX'S OFFICE, MIDDLETOWN  
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29th  
From 1 to 3 P. M.

MARSH'S HOTEL, IN ODESSA,  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26th, 1910,  
From 1 to 3 P. M.

AT HENRY CLEVER'S STORE, IN PORT PENN.,  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26th, 1910,  
From 1 to 3 P. M.

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JOHN E. DENNY,  
Collector of Taxes for St. Georges Hundred.

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### Blackbird Hundred!

The taxable residents of Blackbird Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1910 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be at

AT BLACKBIRD WATKINS'S STORE,  
OCTOBER 29th, 1910,  
From 1 to 4 P. M.

AT FLEMING'S LANDING,  
OCTOBER 24th, 1910,  
From 1 to 4 P. M.

AT DELANEY'S, DAVIS'S STORE,  
OCTOBER 28th, 1910,  
From 1 to 4 o'clock P. M.

Tax bills can be obtained by making personal application to the Collector, or by sending written communication, enclosing stamps.

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JOHN BEITH,  
Collector of Taxes for Blackbird Hundred

## NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS

### APPOQUINIMINK HUNDRED!

The taxable residents of Appoquinimink Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1910 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be at

AT THE OFFICE OF GEORGE M. D. HANE,  
EVERY SATURDAY,  
During OCTOBER, 1910,  
From 1 to 5 o'clock, P. M.

An abatement of 5 per centum will be allowed on all taxes paid during the month of August.

Tax bills can be obtained by making personal application to the Collector, or by sending written communication, enclosing stamps.

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WILLIAM C. MONEY,  
Collector of Taxes for Appoquinimink Hundred

## 1910 TIME TABLE 1910

### The Iron STEAMER CLIO

Captain H. V. Woodall

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**THE COL. TOWNSEND MATTER**  
Under the pretense of attacking election bribery but in reality to encompass the defeat of certain persons on the Republican ticket by attacking their characters, Mr. G. L. Grier, of Milford, in the absence of Col. Townsend, cunningly secured from his manager certain space in his paper, the *Milford Chronicle*, and published therein the \$4200.00 reward for the conviction of bribe-bearers, etc., to which Col. Townsend warmly assented.

But on discovering later the sharp practice sought to be played upon him by Grier, whose real purpose he himself does not deny, was to attack in the next article, not bribery but certain candidates on the Republican ticket—and that, too, in the interests of their Democratic opponents—the Colonel very properly cancelled the dishonest contract and returned Grier his check. Out of his own throat this sanctimonious "reformer" is convicted of dishonorable trickery—a sample, perhaps, of the sort he was wont to use when attached to the fortunes of that rascally arch-briber Addicks.

He wrote to Col. Townsend: "I did not state to your agent that my purpose was to defeat the Republican ticket."

Certainly not! Such tricksters never do inform their prospective victims of the intended swindle. It will be noted that Grier does not deny that his purpose was to defeat these nominees of his own party. He dares not deny it. On the contrary he adds:

"But I will say frankly, that it is my hope that the decent people, etc., will defeat certain Republican candidates, etc."

Mr. Grier's "frankness" is of the compulsory sort which is an evil-doer usually exhibits when caught with the goods on him.

And because the Colonel refuses to be buncoed, this "reformer" with transparent quibbling charges him with being an advocate of bribery. Mr. Grier were best to save some of his lofty "reform" morality for home consumption, and learn that a good cause is never advanced by unfair and dishonest means.

Col. Townsend's letter to the chairman of the Republican State Committee, after showing how Grier had tried to entrap him, declares his entire sympathy with the fight against election bribery theretofore condemned by him editorially and otherwise in his paper, and says,

"My reason for refusing the advertisement was that it was the purpose of Dr. Grier to make an attack on the ticket nominated by the Republican party. This was the sole reason for canceling the agreement."

But while the disingenuous course of Mr. Grier is altogether unworthy one pretending to play the high role of a reformer, the characteristically unfair attempt of the *Every Evening* to make political capital out of the incident and especially its continuance in this attempt, after Grier's fraud had been clearly exposed and confessed, is even more contemptible.

*Every Evening's* persistent and wilful perversion of the facts herein, in the hope of damaging the Republican party, and its wanton vilification of Col. Townsend, is a disgrace to the journalism of our state. The ethics of such editorial work is not above that of piracy or assassination. However, it is quite on a par with that deliberate wholesale slander of the Republican Press of Delaware editorially perpetrated by the *Every Evening* in its issue of July 12th last wherein it accused the whole Republican Press of a willingness for political ends to prostitute the criminal instincts of the negro.

The Transcript had the satisfaction of nailing that malicious lie so hard to the *Every Evening's* counter that its maker has never since dared to peep in defence of his own base coinage!

The Transcript needs not declare that it is always and everywhere against election bribery and corruption of any sort, whether done as in the doubly shameful because needless, fashion of the palmy days of Democratic supremacy, when Democrats openly bid against Democrats in their election auctions; or whether, as in the later manner of the shameless Addicks episode, wherein that scamp's corrupting deceptions impartially

bought Republican and Democratic statesmen in the legislative shambles. Yes, against the vile business altogether and it would denounce Col. Townsend or its own party did either have the hardihood to stand sponsor for this crime. But THE TRANSCRIPT also stands for decency and fair play in journalism on all public questions and toward all political opponents.

**THAT TRANS-ATLANTIC FLY**  
The Walter Wellman airship expedition was rescued from its crippled craft early Wednesday morning by the Royal Mail Steam Packet steamer Trent about 250 miles westward from Bermuda and 350 miles east of Cape Hatteras.

At any rate Wellman has redeemed his 15 years of hippodroming which had made him the jest of the whole country. He can now say, like Francis I after the disaster of Pavia, "All is lost but honor," and can furthermore congratulate himself that he is still a Well-man.

For the benefit of *The Star* whose impartiality in the past had led us to expect better things than an approval of this small Grier chicanery. We will state that our Townsend editorial was crowded out of last week's issue by the pressure of the publication of the license list.

In this issue appears the first of the weekly "write ups" we intend giving our advertisers.

**CECILTON**  
Mr. and Mrs. Pelce Stradley have moved to St. Augustine.

Mrs. John Coppage was a Warwick visitor a few days last week.

Miss Iona Benson, of Earleville, spent one day last week with Mrs. M. Black.

Miss Clara Manlove spent last week with Mrs. S. Moffit of near Still Pond.

Mr. Harvey Mackey, of near Elkton, was the guest of friend in town on Sunday.

Mrs. Eugene Savin, of near Townsend, visited her father, Mr. J. D. Belts, last week.

Mrs. Merritt Smith and daughter Edna were Kent County visitors one day this week.

Revival service began last Sunday evening in the St. Paul M. E. Church at Jobstown.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Short and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Coppage were Soderlyville visitors on Sunday.

The young men of this place gave a social dance in the Jr. O. U. A. M. Hall Tuesday evening of last week.

Dr. R. M. Black, wife and daughter Margaret and Miss Arrie McCoy, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. William McMullin, of near Port Penn, Del.

Meers. Albert Watts, Clifford Hoover and Durney Oldham were in Philadelphia this week to see the world series games between the Athletics and Chicago clubs.

**WARWICK**  
Meers. Henry Duryea and Jessie Vinard spent Saturday and Sunday with friends at Woodlawn.

Mr. and Mrs. John Stevens spent Sunday with Mrs. William Vinard.

Miss Clara Duryea spent Sunday at the home of Mr. Buckworth, in "Middle Neck."

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Wilson spent Sunday with her brother at Back Creek.

Mr. Victor Smith spent Sunday with relatives in town.

Mr. R. A. Brown, of Elmore, has returned home, after a very pleasant visit with relatives in town.

Mr. W. J. B. Lofland spent Saturday and Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Lofland.

Mrs. John L. Lattomus has returned home, after a very pleasant visit with relatives in Baltimore.

Mrs. Wilson Merritt spent Tuesday with Mrs. Piser, near town.

Mrs. Paul Ludas, of Philadelphia, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Piser.

## WYOMING'S APPLE ORCHARD

An interesting trip through the Delaware Apple Belt. The Transcript is fortunate in being able to present to its farming readers and others interested in fruit culture a very interesting and profitable account of a visit last Thursday by Messrs. C. F. Cochran and Victor Green to the apple belt near Wilmington's Kent County, as follows:

Mr. Darby, one of the large apple growers, whose crop of 6000 barrels now being picked from 130 acres, is the largest raised this season in the state, grows the following varieties, viz: the Nero, the Stayman Winesap, the York Imperial and the Old Winesap. From some single trees he will pick 100 baskets of prime fruit.

His orchards, as clean as weeds, etc., as any well kept lawn, are cultivated five or six times each year, and the trees sprayed as often. 60 or 70 persons are now picking and packing the fruit, the finest in boxes, the other grades in barrels, for shipment to the Reading Terminal cold storage plant in Philadelphia, to be put upon the market in February when apple prices have gone in the opposite direction to the thermometer.

We also visited another and even more widely known apple farm that of Mr. Francis Soper—the father of this profitable industry in Delaware.

In his 100 acre orchard is grown many kinds of early apples, most of which were marketed several weeks ago. Mr. Soper has just sent a few barrels to the Milledale apple show, where in former years he was one to take many prizes. He is truly "a jolly good fellow," and has a very proper pride in showing visitors through his finely kept orchards.

A third noted apple farm is that of Messrs. E. F. Bancroft and Son, well known horticulturalists specializing in apple culture. They too grow many early varieties, having already shipped several carloads for which they received \$1.00 per hamper, a measure something over a basket. They also receive fancy prices in Philadelphia for their cream, the product of a fine herd of thoroughbred Alderney cows which are stable fed the entire year, and being well housed and cared for and in appearance look as sleek as moles.

The cattle food is derived from huge silos yearly filled with green stuff for winter and spring feeding. These gentlemen raise large quantities of green crops and cut them in summer for feed. Their dairy returns them a handsome profit.

The Messrs. Bancroft also have a thrifty chicken farm which yields them a big return in eggs and broilers. They emphasize egg rather than fowl production, using for this purpose the Leghorns famed for laying, rather than other varieties, like the Dorking for example, in which the brooding instinct is more developed. Their methods from egg to egg, from incubator to broilers and layers, are methodical and scientific to the minutest detail. Each laying hen is expected to produce at least 100 eggs every year, though in fact they average more. About 60,000 eggs are marketed annually. They receive for their white eggs from a dealer in New York City, from 2 to 4 cents above the Philadelphia market quotations, the dealer also paying them freight on the eggs and on the returned crates!

We were met at the Wyoming depot by Messrs. C. H. Jolls and Edgar Witsell, and taken by them in an automobile to the farms described. Mr. and Mrs. Jolls entertained us in truly royal fashion at their lovely home in Wyoming, beautiful within and without, with choicest flowers. Our hostess, Mrs. Jolls, is especially an expert in growing large and handsome chrysanthemums of which she is very fond and has won many prizes with them at various floral exhibitions. Her yellow and white varieties were notably fine flowers and the many different kinds filled a small hot house with variegated bloom.

A large ice and cold storage plant is now being built at Wyoming with a capacity of 1500 barrels of apples. Wyoming's wide awake town, with fine houses and well kept streets and sidewalks. They are erecting a water plant.

Farms around Wyoming which 15 years ago were a drug in the market at \$15.00 to \$20.00 per acre, are now readily selling for \$50.00 to \$100.00 an acre.

Can't some of our Middletown farmers duplicate these superbly profitable fruit specializations of Messrs. Darby, Soper or Bancroft? Or raise eggs and poultry in the scientific way the Bancrofts do?

We think they can if they only choose to do so. And then, why should not our Delaware farmers in groups put up their own cold storage plants and reap themselves some of the fat profits which now go solely to the city middlemen and dealers who ordinarily buy of the farmer his product when the market is at its lowest and keep in storage till it is at its highest. Why not?

## ALLEN'S BAKERY

We sell Candies at wholesale prices. Examine our stock of candies in 4, 1 and 5 lb boxes before buying elsewhere.

**Wholesale and Retail**  
We are now making and serving to our customers Graham Wheat Bread.

Having now completed our first year in the baking business, we feel that we are in a position to give our patrons better service in the future than in the past. Thanking you for past favors and soliciting your future patronage, we remain

Oak lard tierces, iron band, at reasonable prices.

Very truly,  
**W. W. Allen & Son**  
Middletown, Del.

**HAVE YOUR Shoes Repaired AT M. DECKTER'S**

The best work for less money and done while you wait. I have moved on Broad Street next door to The New Era, in Dr. Vaughan's old office.

Men's Soles and Heels 75c  
Ladies' Soles and Heels 65c

**M. DECKTER**  
MIDDLETOWN, DEL.

For **NEAT and BEST JOB WORK**  
Apply to This Office

## BARGAINS IN BLANKETS & QUILTS

We were unusually fortunate in buying blankets and quilts this year, having managed to secure them at about 15 per cent. less than the present market price. We are thus enabled, early in the season, to give our customers extraordinary bargains in these articles. When these are gone, however, we will be compelled to sell others at the regular market price, so you will do well to take early advantage of this offer.

- Blankets for 50c to \$3.50 worth 20 per cent. more.
- The famous Woolnap blanket for \$2.00 regularly for \$2.50.
- Cotton quilts worth \$1.50 for \$1.00.
- Pure white cotton quilts \$1.50 to \$4.00.

**The Black Cat "Leather" Stockings**  
The Black Cat Leather Stocking is positively the best stocking made for Children's winter wear. They are triple knee and heel and double throughout the other parts. Guaranteed to wear. Made in two qualities at 12 1-2c and 25c. Try them.



**Burstan's Department Store**  
Broad and Main Streets  
Middletown, Delaware

## FREE



**THE GREAT AND GRAND MAJESTIC RANGE**  
THE RANGE WITH A REPUTATION MADE IN ALL SIZES AND STYLES.

**Demonstrated Week of October 24th**  
**At W. S. LETHERBURY'S, Middletown, Delaware**



**MAJESTIC NEVER-BURN COOKER, STEAMER, CULLENDRER AND DRAINER**—The Perfection Cooker, shown in center, has small feet which admit water at the bottom. Nothing can burn. Food can be lifted out of main vessel (shown on left), at the same time draining it of all fat. The Steamer or Cullender shown on right can be used as an ordinary Cullender. It also fits on top of main vessel, and is used as a steamer.

**THE MAJESTIC Extra Heavy Stamped Iron Marble-Topped Kettle**, complete with cover and handle that holds on cover.

**THE MAJESTIC 16-in. All Copper Nickel-plated Tea Kettle**, Handsomely nickel-plated outside, lined on inside.

**THE MAJESTIC 14-in. All Copper Nickel-plated Tea Kettle**, Handsomely nickel-plated outside, lined on inside.

**THE MAJESTIC Marble-Topped Frying Pan**, Made especially for the Majestic Set.

**TWO MAJESTIC Pans** Never-burn Wire Draining Pan. Size of pan 9 in. x 12 in. Made especially for the Majestic Set.

## What Georgetown Citizens Say About Local Option!

GEORGETOWN, DEL., October 1, 1910.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: We, the undersigned, business men, merchants and professional men, hereby certify that, in the best of our judgment, the closing of the open saloon in our town has been of decided advantage to the business interests of the town.

We know of no interests of a business character (except saloon business) that have suffered any from the change. We know of many that have been greatly benefited by the closing of the saloons.

A great deal of money now finds its way into legitimate trade that formerly was spent in saloons, and we have no hesitancy in stating that, in our judgment, the closing of the saloons has been a great benefit to the ordinary lines of retail business of our town.

Moreover, disorder on our streets has greatly decreased and the morals of the community have materially improved under the new order. While the illegal sale of liquor may not have been altogether eliminated, drunkenness has been reduced to a negligible quantity as compared with what it was under the license system.

W. F. Tunnell, Cashier Farmers' Bank, L. E. Poole, Minister, Wm. D. Adams, Clerk Farmers' Bank, E. H. Fooks, Teller Farmers' Bank, F. F. Johnson, General Merchandise, G. Roland Messick, Attorney-at-law, George Warren Jones, Cashier, Wm. H. Short, Jr., General Merchandise, Elisha G. Ryan, Deputy Register of Wills, Chas. W. Cullen, Attorney-at-law, M. Wallace White, Prothonotary, George W. Bennett, Jeweler and Optician, Robt. G. Houston, Attorney-at-law, Jas. H. McGlothlen, Insurance and Real Estate, J. C. Abbott, Barber, Chas. B. Stevenson, Furniture Dealer, Jos. E. Walls, Hardware, Elwood Holson, Grocer, W. A. Warrington, Ex-Mayor and Justice of Peace, E. Thos. Hart, Foreman Sussex Journal, Wm. V. Vincent, Jeweler, Jos. L. Cahall, Attorney-at-law, S. K. Wilson, Proprietor Eagle Hotel, Frank M. Jones, Insurance, John F. Hudson, Farmer, David S. Purnell, Court Crier, W. Elwood Wright, Deputy Clerk of Peace, Andrew J. Lynch, Lawyer, Jos. B. West, Sheriff, G. T. Dynch, General Merchandise, C. F. Tunnell, Freight Agent, and Ice Dealer, E. H. Hammond, Asst. Freight Agent, J. F. Kaiser, Foreman Machine Shop, R. W. Joseph, Grocer, Frederick Walls, State Detective, E. W. Ryan, Retired Railroad Conductor, F. C. Taylor, Shoemaker, Geo. S. Thomas, Minister, E. E. Wilson, Manager Union Republican, Wm. A. Fausett, Store Dealer, Charles R. Jones, Architect, Harry E. Hudson, Steam Bakery, G. F. Kusi, Grocer.

## The following Seaford Citizens say the Same

L. W. Hurley & Sons, Manufacturers of dressed lumber, J. N. Johns, Physician, P. J. Williams, Plumber, Leon S. Hurley, Bank Teller, Madison J. Hill, Bank Cashier, T. N. Williams, Lumber dealer, Charles M. Hollis, Dentist, George W. Lecates, Agent B. C. & A. Railway Co., Rev. P. H. Rawlins, Clergyman, (retired.) James A. Morgan, Fruit broker, Robert E. Ellis, Ship carpenter, W. Harry Brown, L. M. Chipman, Postmaster, W. S. Barton, Hardware and seeds, E. J. Hardesty, Supt. County Schools, L. E. Wallace, Hardware and County Treasurer, Geo. E. M. Stengle, Justice of Peace, N. H. Brown, Rev. W. O. Hurst, Pastor M. E. Church, Rev. J. Ernest Litsinger, Pastor M. P. Church, M. Milligan, General Store, L. N. Williams, Carriage dealer, S. A. Brown, Marble works, J. M. Wainwright, Wainwright Grocery Co., J. C. Knowles, Physician, J. H. Kiefer, Financier, J. K. Brown, L. S. Warren, Agriculturist, S. B. Pusey, Member Town Council, Perry T. Adams, Marble and granite works, J. R. Cooke, Passenger Agent, P. B. & W. R. R., W. F. Haines, Physician, G. W. Donoho, Oyster packer and fruit buyer, G. W. Emory, Fire Insurance, E. F. Freestman, Former Postmaster, W. C. Tull, Assessor.

## Convincing Testimonial

The following letter written by Mr. William A. Warrington of Georgetown, Sussex County, is a fair sample of letters received in great quantities from Kent and Sussex Counties, testifying to the beneficial effects of Local Option. Mr. Warrington the writer of the letter has served several terms as Mayor of Georgetown and is now a Justice of the Peace, so that he is peculiarly qualified to speak authoritatively of past and present conditions in his town and county. The letter follows:

Mr DEAR Sir: Replying to your letter under date the 21 inst., will say that the conditions under local option in Georgetown and surrounding country were never better. We are almost absolutely free from drunken brawls upon the streets, which prior to local option were so prevalent. The change in conditions was noticeable in a week after the law went into effect, and I believe that any fair-minded citizen here will substantiate what I say.

I have served as Mayor of this town since Sussex went dry, and no-one at that time, or at the present for that matter, is in a better position to know than I. At the present time I am a Justice of the Peace of this County, and a search of the records reveals the fact that hardly one-fifth as many cases are brought to my notice as the result of intoxication as there were when the saloons were in a flourishing condition. During my incumbency as Mayor, I remember distinctly of one instance where there were twelve men, some of them prominent citizens and business men, arrested one night for being drunk and disorderly. No such conditions prevail now.

The shipments of intoxicants by express and freight are not as great as at present as they were a short time before the ruling made by the Government, which was to the effect that all boxes containing liquors should be stamped as such upon the lid. The merchants report that their sales are greater now than ever before, and a canvass made a month after the county went dry showed this to be the case.

At the April term of court, which came to a close last week, one of the noticeable features was that there was not a case tried that had its origin from drink, whereas heretofore nearly one-half of them were traced directly or indirectly to whiskey. This goes to show the marked change in conditions; and temperance advocates are highly pleased to know this.

I have endeavored to give you a resume of the situation in this county as it exists from the viewpoint of an official, and hope what I have to say will be of benefit to you in the coming fight in New Castle County.

Yours very truly,  
**WILLIAM A. WARRINGTON,**  
Justice of the Peace.

## Three Objections Answered

DEAR FRIEND:— Perhaps you are unwilling to vote "against license" on November 8th, because of one or more of the following objections. Permit us to answer them.

**Objection No. 1.—"The Local Option Election Should be a Special Election, as in 1907."**

This is impossible under our Delaware Constitution, which plainly provides that a Local Option Election held in ANY SINGLE Local Option District shall be held at the same time as the General Election. It is not optional, but compulsory.

We quote from the Constitution on this point: "Whenever a majority of all the members elected to each house \* \* \* by the electors in an Local Option District shall request the submission of the question \* \* \* the General Assembly shall provide for the submission \* \* \* AT THE NEXT GENERAL ELECTION THEREAFTER." The Statute further provides that it is not responsible—it is the Constitution.

In 1907, the entire State (four local option districts) voted as a Special Local Option Election, as permitted by the Constitution in case of a State-wide vote. This year only Rural New Castle County votes, and MUST, according to the same Constitution, vote at the General Election.

There will be a separate ballot; there will be a separate ballot box. These will largely insure a separate and distinct election.

**Objection No. 2.—"The Saloons must close AT ONCE if the County goes 'dry.' This is too severe on the Saloon keeper."**

Again, we declare the Legislative act is not responsible, but the Constitution, for it says: "In every district in which there is a majority against license, no person, firm or corporation shall THEREAFTER manufacture or sell spirituous, vinous or malt liquors." etc.

Further, in the Legislature of 1909, the "dry" members, through Representative Franklin Brockson of Clayton, offered to help change the Constitution so as to give the saloon keepers at least six months for closing after the County voted "dry." but "wet" Senators refused to accept the offer and defeated the proposition. In the Senate, Saloon keepers can no longer blame the "dry" voters for closing them up AT ONCE; only themselves and their friends in the Legislature are to blame for they refused to agree to a Constitutional change.

Finally, Rural New Castle County saloon keepers have had nearly two years notice that they might be voted out of business on November 8th, for the Re-enslaving Bill for the County was passed by the Legislature on March 1st, 1908. From that day until now every one of them has known full well what danger threatens his saloon business. HOW MUCH MORE TIME OR NOTICE THAN THIS OUGHT THEY TO HAVE OR EXPECT?

**Objection No. 3.—"This Local Option Election comes too soon after the one in 1907. Why are the 'Drys' in such a hurry?"**

Every year the saloons are left undisturbed they grow stronger; harder to defeat. Every year they remain open their deadly mischief multiplies. We believe the majority of voters in Rural New Castle County want the saloons closed—desire their mischief to cease.

Why wait longer? Why not close them now?

Held us by a vote "Against License" on November 8th.



## The Middletown Transcript

Mails Close as Follows:  
Going North—7:30 a. m., 10:00 a. m., 4:05 p. m.  
Going South—7:00 a. m., 4:15 p. m., and 9 p. m.  
For Ocean—7:00 a. m., 4:15 p. m., and 9 p. m.  
For Warwick, Cecilton and Barville 9:30 a. m., and 4:45 p. m.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., OCT. 22, 1910

### LOCAL NEWS

**WANTED.**—Reliable girl for general housework, white or colored, 4 in family. Address Mrs. H. F. MELLON, 2002 Boulevard, Wilmington, Del.

**FOR SALE.**—A Chattanooga Double Disk Plow in good order. J. C. GREEN.

Highest cash prices paid for all kinds of Poultry and Eggs. W. C. JONES.

This is the last day to qualify for the November election. If you fail to register you will not be permitted to vote.

Get a FREE MAJESTIC SOUVENIR—See our advertisement in this issue.

W. S. LUTHERBURY.

A fine line of new and up-to-date Millinery at very low prices.

Mrs. G. W. PETERSON.

It's worth \$3.00 to you to read our advertisement in this paper, so don't overlook it.

W. S. LUTHERBURY.

Just received a Car Load No. 2 WESTERN RE-CLEANED OATS.

S. B. FOARD.

**FOR SALE.**—A large quantity of Pie Pumpkins, 20 for \$1.00, at

E. J. Steele's.

**FOR SALE.**—A car of No. 1 Western Oats just received.

Phone 5. JESSE L. SHEPHERD.

It will more than pay you for the time to read our large advertisement in this paper.

W. S. LUTHERBURY.

**LOST.**—A white sweater on October 1st, between Ocean and Middletown. If found kindly return to THE TRANSCRIPT office.

Mrs. Richard S. Cann of Kirkwood M. E. Church will hold their annual supper in the Church on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, November 16th and 17th.

Come and see the great cooking wonder at our store all next week. You have a chance to get a Souvenir Set of Ware Free. See large advertisement in this paper.

W. S. LUTHERBURY.

We carry Men's, Women's and Children's and Children's. Who have Rubber goods in by the first of November.

Mrs. G. W. PETERSON.

Ladies', Men's and Children's suit dyed, cleaned and pressed by the best establishment engaged in this line of work in Philadelphia.

JOHN E. GINN, AGENT, MIDDLETOWN, DEL.

**FARMERS IMPROVE YOUR LAND.** We are now taking orders for HIGH GRADE CARBONATE OF LIME. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Phone 5.

JESSE L. SHEPHERD.

**CEMENT.**—The old reliable and Government-Endorsed NARBERT PORTLAND. There may be another as good, there are two none better. Price as low as the lowest. Sold by

G. E. HUKILL.

We now have on hand for sale 3000 good chestnut wire fence posts. Let us have your order and we will reserve the posts for you until you are ready to use them.

J. F. McWORTON & SON.

Unclaimed Letters.—The following list of letters remains unclaimed in the post office for the week ending October 20: Mrs. Alvera Frazer, Mrs. John Jackson, Mr. Adin D. Chriwell, A. D. Chriwell, Joseph Jones.

Constantly on hand, all sizes of the Best Veins and best prepared Hard Coal, for Hesters, Ranges and Cook Stoves. Clean and full weight. Prompt delivery at lowest prices. Also Cord Wood sawed to stove length, \$2.00 for cordwood. If you have not been using our coal, try it and be happy.

G. E. HUKILL.

**PREPARE FOR WINTER'S COMFORT** by giving your orders now for WILBUR'S CELEBRATED HIGH-GRADE LEHIGH COAL. ALWAYS IN STOCK. Satisfaction guaranteed. FREE FROM DIRT. Cord Wood sawed to fit your stove. Phone 5.

JESSE L. SHEPHERD.

Increased sales on Shoes each week. Our next shoe sale days will be Nov. 1st, 2d, and 3d.

Mrs. G. W. PETERSON.

The Levy Court through their sub-committee appointed for that purpose is about to purchase a new steam roller of 10-ton capacity. The committee, that bought the roller is composed of President Daynet and Messrs. Buckson and Elliott.

The new State Administration and Library Building at Dover is rapidly nearing completion. The new building and the restoration of the old State House will cost more than \$65,000. The State appropriated that much for the work, and any excess of cost will be made up by the legislature and private subscription.

"As we are just now receiving a large stock of mixed feed, a little faster than we can conveniently store them, we are offering these feeds at the following prices which are good until Nov. 1st:

BRAN.....\$38.00  
SUGAROTA DAIRY FEED..... 25.00  
SUGAROTA DAIRY FEED..... 25.00  
SUGAROTA DAIRY FEED..... 25.00  
FEED..... 31.00  
BLATCHFORD'S CALF..... 31.00  
MEAL..... .041 per lb.  
Special discount to milk patrons.

MIDDLETOWN FARMS.

**Tungsten Street Lamps**

The experiment of the Town Board in using the new tungsten filament lamps in the streets will be watched with interest by all users of electricity. It is devoutly to be wished that the glowing spheres made for it, that it gives more light, outlasts more slowly and that too, on about the value of the other lamps, will be realized. It is too good to be true, go for it.

### LOCAL OPTION MEETING

R. G. Houston and A. M. Daly Make Strong Addresses

On Sunday afternoon at 2:30, a highly successful anti-alcohol temperance meeting was held in the Opera House and was largely attended—especially by voters—many of the leading citizens of the town being present.

The exercises opened with the rousing song "Onward Christian Soldiers" and prayer by Rev. F. H. Moore. Then the chairman, Mr. M. B. Burris, presented Mr. Robert G. Houston of Georgetown as the first speaker.

He made a plain and very effective presentation of the many advantages, economic and otherwise, that had come to Georgetown and Sussex county, since local option had driven the saloons out. His comparison of the amounts of the merchants' license fees before and after local option, was a very convincing proof of the benefits in dollars and cents that flow from local option. Merchant after merchant was cited whose business had increased as never before and instances of individuals formerly useless to the community, who had become useful, sober workers.

After more song, Mr. Burris in a very witty and happy speech introduced Mr. A. M. Daly of Dover who made a second strong argument for temperance by showing the marked business and moral improvement that had followed local option in Dover. Increased and large grocery stores and one new bank with \$100,000 deposits already and the other banks also doing more business; great decrease in arrests for crime; greater security on the streets of Dover for ladies, and the pronounced change for the better in the lives of a number of men whom he named once habitual drinkers. In a word, the two speakers gave two plain object lessons showing just how local option benefits the town and the individual, financially and morally.

A little eating of the pudding is worth no end of argument about its qualities; and the strongest of all arguments to prove the value in money, morals and health of temperance trying it on is hourly more and more convincing all fair and honest citizens. After singing America the audience was dismissed by the Rev. W. H. Hutchins.

### HELPING A SICK FARMER

Your Delaware and Maryland farmers well know how to be neighborly. An instance in point is Mr. George Bolton who farms what is called the "Willie Price" farm on Bohemia Manor at Clayton Corner, a tract containing about 500 acres.

Mr. Bolton has had a big streak of real hard luck, for one after another himself and five of his children were stricken down with typhoid fever, his oldest son being among the number. Very naturally his farming operations suffered. But his warm-hearted neighbors trooped over to his place and before you could say Jack Robinson, had his corn cut, husked and cribbed away. They next turned in and plowed 150 acres of his land, turned about a half dozen Randall harrows loose on it and with a couple of drills, two rollers and 44 horses in all, soon had the land seeded to wheat in first class farming style.

THE TRANSCRIPT is sorry not to have the names of all of the generous riders but Mr. Harvey Jewell and Mr. Bryson are two of those who took part in this praiseworthy bit of agricultural neighborliness.

G. E. HUKILL.

### A COMEDY BY LOCAL TALENT

"The Elopement of Ellen" a comedy in three acts will be presented in the Middletown Opera House by local talent, on Tuesday evening, November 1st. Those who are to take part in the play are now rehearsing their parts, and the Ladies' Mite Society under whose auspices the performance is to be rendered, is to be congratulated on securing such able talent. The cast follows:

Cast  
Richard Ford, a devoted young husband, Mr. E. H. Shallerose  
Molly, his wife....Miss Blanche Deskyne  
Robert Shepherd, Molly's brother....Mr. L. M. Bragdon  
Max Ten Eyck, chum of Robert's....Mr. J. O. Parker, Jr.  
Dorothy March, engaged to Max, guest of Mrs. Ford....Miss Helen Biggs  
June Haverhill, Wellesley '06, who is doing some special investigation for economic course during the summer  
Miss Nellie Janvier  
John Hume, Rector of St. Agnes....Mr. W. H. Brady

Popular songs of the day will be sung by Mr. Richard C. Dillmore of Philadelphia.

THE RED MEN'S BAZAAR

Seneca Tribe, No. 44, Improved Order of Red Men, will hold a Bazaar, (or in the language of the Red Man, a Trading Post,) in the Middletown Opera House, on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings, November 3d, 4th and 5th.

On Thursday evening a short sketch, entitled, "Indian Captivity and Burning a Hunter at the Stake," will be presented and on Friday evening the 4th, there will be an "Adoption of the Tribe's Ward."

A small admission of five cents will be charged on the above dates, but after 8:30 o'clock admission will be free.

Refreshments consisting of chicken salad, oysters, coffee, sandwiches, ice cream, cake, etc., will be served each evening by the ladies, and the warriors invite all pale faces to attend.

Thursday Night's Supper

The ladies of the Home Missionary Society of the M. E. Church held an oyster supper on Thursday evening in the Opera House. A first class supper was given; good grub, well cooked and handsome young ladies to serve it—all for 35 cents! No wonder the Odd Fellows, even after 10 o'clock at night, got such an appetizing whiff of it that they swarmed in, home members and visitors to the number of 50, and tightened their belts forthwith. The ladies cleared about \$100 for their good cause.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Kumpel of Ocean have rented the Merritt house on Crawford street and will shortly occupy it.

### A \$100 CORN PRIZE

The Delaware Horticultural Society offered sometimes ago a prize of \$100.00 for the best yield of corn from a single acre in this State. For some reason, maybe because of the cost and trouble the effort would have required, only three farmers are contesting for this prize. One of them has been heard from. Mr. Alonzo Whitlock, who farms the Hoffacker place near Odessa, has obtained a yield of 100 bushels of yellow corn from off a single acre.

It seems to our alfalfa editor the part of wisdom for more of our farmers to enter the race for these prizes, because in the first place, one or two sample of the double-cropped "long green," is not an unhandy thing to tuck away in any farmer's wallet even if in these days it is swelling like a quart of dried apples in water, and then in the second place, the farmer often gets useful hints how to raise big crops, from the experiment itself, and this, whether he win or lose, may be worth more to him than the amount of prize offered. There is something in these new "book farming" tricks when professor a chap preaching Indian corn from the tail end of a railroad car to the farmers assembled from far and near, can finally succeed in getting them to double the yield per acre throughout a whole state as was done in Iowa.

### PERSONALS

Miss Lena Pleasanton spent Thursday in Wilmington.

Mr. William Cawley, of Padricktown, N. J., visited friends here this week.

Mrs. Carl Harrington and little son have returned to their home in Baltimore.

Dr. E. M. Vaughan, wife and little son spent ten days with relatives at Milton.

Miss Eugenia Beaton spent Monday and Tuesday with relatives in Philadelphia.

Mrs. J. F. McWhorter is entertaining her cousin, Mrs. McWhorter, from Ocean View, Va.

Mrs. L. G. Sterner, of Camden, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Parker last week.

Mr. Arlison Smith, of Newark, was the guest of Mr. Harold Wilson over Saturday and Sunday.

Little Miss Margaret Pleasanton, who has been quite sick for several weeks, is now improving.

Miss May Clayton has been spending a few days in Dover with her sister, Mrs. T. C. Frame, Jr.

Miss Laura Cochran is spending some time with her sister, Mrs. W. T. Connellee on Green street.

Mrs. E. D. Hearne, of Georgetown, spent several days last week with Mr. M. D. Wilson and family.

Mr. William Rothwell, of New Castle, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Rothwell, this week.

Mrs. Elizabeth Morris, of Philadelphia, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. James Redgrave this week.

Messrs. Fred A. Townsend and Carlton Watte were guests of Mr. Alfred A. Connellee on Saturday.

Mrs. John D. Kelley, of New Egypt, N. J., is spending several days with Mr. and Mrs. George D. Kelley.

Mrs. G. W. W. Naudain is spending a month with her daughter, Mrs. O. G. Goodhand, in New York.

Mrs. William Price and daughter, Miss Dora have returned home after a month's stay with relatives in Maryland.

Mrs. G. W. Peterson spent the first three days of this week in the city buying millinery and holiday goods.

Mr. and Mrs. Horatio N. Willis and little daughter, Elizabeth spent Sunday with Mr. Merritt N. Willis and daughters.

Mrs. Franklin Platt, of Wilmington, and Miss Adelaide Ford, of Tappan, N. J., are guests of their brother, Mr. J. B. Ford and wife.

Mrs. James C. Reynolds and sister, Miss Annie D. Frame, of Bridgeville, spent several days this week with Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Wilson and family.

Mr. Roe Redgrave and Mr. James Redgrave and wife entertained their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Redgrave of Wilmington, over last Sunday.

Mrs. Thomas Roe and daughter, Miss May, of Massey, Md., are spending some time at the home of Mrs. Wilhelmina Price on South Broad street.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Sterling Evans, of Elkton Md., and Mrs. Frank R. Rool and children and Miss Mary Byrne of McDonough spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Ford.

LOCAL OPTION MEETINGS

The following is the schedule of local option meetings for St. Georges Hundred for the coming week.

Monday night, Oct. 24th, Odessa open air meeting, speakers G. M. Elderfield of Federalburg, Md. and Frank N. Faulkner of Fairmont, Md.

Tuesday and Wednesday nights, Oct. 25th and 26th, meetings for colored people in Odessa with Robert E. Clay, the Southland's negro temperance orator, as chief speaker.

Wednesday night, Oct. 26th, Middletown meeting for colored people, Rev. C. A. Tindley of Philadelphia and Rev. Leonard White of Wilmington as speakers.

Thursday night, Oct. 27th, Middletown Opera House, Seaboard Wright of Rome, Ga. will be the principal speaker. There is no better speaker on the subject of temperance in this country than Senborn N. Wright. A great crowd ought to be here.

It is expected that Mr. Thomas N. Rawlins of Seaford and Mr. John G. Townsend of Seaford will be present at the Opera House meeting to tell of the beneficial effects of local option in their Sussex County communities. Although are interested in this schedule are requested to save same for reference during the week.

CURRENT PRICES

MIDDLETOWN GRAIN MARKET

Wheat—No. 1. 90 Corn—New 45

No. 2. 85 Yellow, shelled 45

Timothy Seed 65.00 Clover Seed 10.00

MIDDLETOWN PRODUCE MARKET

EGGS, per doz. 30.00

COUNTRY BUTTER, per lb. 21.00

CREAMY BUTTER, per lb. 21.00

Lard, per lb. 14.00

Live Chickens, per lb. 15.00

Potatoes 30.00

### NEW CENTURY CLUB

Have An Unusually Entertaining Program

The ladies' New Century Club of Middletown held an interesting meeting on Tuesday afternoon, the 18th. The president, Mrs. Clara Green, opened with a greeting to the members and outlined the work for the coming year, warmly urging both committee and members to do their utmost to the end that this year of grace might prove the banner one in its history.

Mrs. Green as a delegate to the State Convention held at Georgetown in June last, gave a report of the State Federation, wherein she told of the enthusiastic reception given the delegates from the various New Century Clubs throughout the State by the Georgetown Club, and of the address delivered there among other things by Messrs. W. F. Clifford on "The Child Problem," and H. W. Kellogg on "Some Ideas on Education."

Mrs. Francis H. Moore followed with an exceptionally entertaining description of a just of herself and husband through New England of which we believe our readers would welcome a resume.

After describing the sail up the coast the writer gives a picture of the hill city of Portland, Me., with its lofty promenade with their beautiful views of the White Mountains and the sea, where in 1807 Longfellow was born and whose scenic beauty is enshrined in his poem "My Last Youth," beginning

"Often I think of the beautiful town, That is seated by the sea," etc.

His home was given to the city by his sister, Mrs. Pierce, and is now kept as a Longfellow museum in his memory. It contains many mementoes and reminders of the poet, and has been visited by 65,000 people.

Next follows a description of Mt. Desert Island, 15 miles long and 3 wide with its 13 peaks, and the famous resort, Bar Harbor, with its lovely drives and walks, its matchless scenery of rocky, pine-clad mountains and the restless ocean. The town should retake its old name "Eden," for surely a spot could merit it.

Blaine well said "There's but one Bar Harbor." Dr. Weir Mitchell has a summer home here and though 73, the Doctor daily takes his morning stroll over these rugged, mountain trails. Every conceivable delight of nature and art combine here to please the visitor. On the hotel piazza fine music every morning by the Boston Symphony Orchestra, as the finely dressed ladies walk and chat; handsome villas on the curving shore in the distance and the dim peaks and the blue waves, spray tossed, complete the picture. Then come concerts where Madam Gluck and Mr. Hinchley of Grand Opera fame sing in the Arts Building, a beautiful erection in the Greek manner with a superb setting of mountain and sea like its Hellenic prototypes. Its windows are single panes of absolutely clear glass as large as one of the Presbyterian Church windows. As if by magic they slide out of sight, and the audience step out to enjoy a dainty tea upon the lawn. The rich gowns, the fine equipment with silver mounted harness, and the liveried drivers—all make a gay scene. Then think of hearing amidst this lovely prospect, a presentation of the 2600 year old Greek play, the Electra of Euripides.

Some of the private palaces found on Desert Island are as ornate and costly as those of kings—that of the late John S. Kennedy is one of these; to support its grandeur requires 35 servants, 12 gardeners, six sailors and one policeman. Still he had \$35,000,000.00 left for charity and \$4,000,000.00 for his travels, Missouri. On their way the travelers stopped long enough at Portsmouth, N. H., to see in the St. John's Church there one of the four copies of the "Vinegar Bible" Luke 20th "parable of the vineyard"; and Daniel Webster's pew and to visit the home of Thomas B. Aldrich (the author of Margery Daw), a quaint old home filled with Colonial furniture. In his fire proof museum are shown many curious relics, autographs, etc. e. g. a drinking cup of Napoleon, the carbuncle earring of Diarmid, a vase of Byrons, a large gold bird and case of an Indian Marajah, some of Paul Revere's silver ware. A visit to Newburyport, Mass., to the tomb of William Field, the great preacher who once addressed a large gathering at St. Georges, Del.; then a stop at Salem to see the reputed "Home of Seven Gables," with its massive chimney containing a secret stairway from the 3d to the 1st floor, to hide those accused of witchcraft. In the Court House are shown the pine ties which were stuck into the accused wretches whom they hung if any cry was made. 19 were hung in 1692-3 ere this madness ceased.

Mrs. Charles Derrickson also gave a pleasing narrative of a trip to Washington and Mr. Vernon of which unfortunately, we must briefly speak from hearsay only. Mrs. C. J. Freeman played a fine piano solo, and Miss Hutchins read a comic clip of a returned traveler—glad to get home once more.

OBITUARY

MERRITT FRANCH

At a few minutes before 5 o'clock on Tuesday, Mr. Merritt Franch died at the home of his sister Miss Alexena French.

He had been in poor health for over a year, and a few months ago paid his sister a visit in hopes that the change might benefit him. At first his health was improved somewhat, but later he lost all he had gained.

On Tuesday, a week before his death he was stricken in the night with paralysis and though partially regaining consciousness, enough to speak to his sister, he again relapsed into unconsciousness, and so remained to the end, slowly and quietly breathing out his life with his wife and daughter at his bedside.

He was born in Middletown, and spent his boyhood here, but for many years had lived in Troy, N. Y. He was only 54 years old, and a young man of exemplary habits. It is said that executive of few work, and lack of exercise brought on his untimely fall. His brother, George T. French lives in Chicago and sister Miss Alexena French lives in our town. Funeral services were held at the residence of his sister on North Broad street on Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock and was conducted by Rev. V. S. Collins and the remains interred in Bethesda M. E. Cemetery.

Missing

Walter Irving Lomas, age 29 years; fair complexion; dark blue eyes; light brown hair, inclined to curl; is 5 feet 11 inches tall; weighs about 180 pounds; clean shaven. Wears No. 7 or 8 black shoes, and dark pants, vest and coat. Had on dark derby or gray, soft hat, carries an open faced gold watch. Is an accountant. Left home (Summit, N. J.) suddenly August 10, 1910. His people are almost distracted. He takes his vacations by tramping through the different States. He may come your way. Look out for him. He people will be thankful if they know he is alive and well. Communications from him, or anyone (location confidential), will be a kindness to his distressed parents. Address C. H. Seguin, Baltimore, Maryland.

### THAT STEEL'E SEEDLING

Some Account of How it Was Produced by Mr. Steele

THE TRANSCRIPT has heretofore referred to the new strawberry produced by our well known florist Mr. E. J. Steele, known as the "Steel'e Seedling." We think it is of sufficient importance to the farmers and horticulturalists of our town and neighborhood to receive further and fuller mention.

Mr. Steele obtained this superior strawberry by crossing the old Banabach, which is a pistillate or female berry, with the "Tennessee Prolific," then sowing the seeds of the resultant fruit, and from the seedlings thus produced selecting out of 500 specimens several of the largest and earliest and from these in turn getting by the customary runner propagation his present patch of "Steel'e Seedling" strawberries. This fruit is so mildly acid that even unripe berries when yet white in color, were not too tart to be pleasant eating. We tried several such about two weeks ago from his second crop.

Mr. Steele was shipping berries to market last spring a week before even the earlier Sussex county berries were coming on. Through Mr. James Shallcross showing some of the berries at the last Delaware Produce Exchange in their meeting at Dover, a leading grower in Sussex, Mr. Newton, became interested, and secured some plants from Mr. Steele to test their qualities. If the berry comes up to the standard of excellence claimed for it, he says he will himself take 50,000 plants, and will also dispose of several hundred thousand more to other growers.

Mr. Steele has sold a number of these plants to Mr. W. D. Bradford living in the Neck and to quite a number of farmers around Middletown as well as to Mr. Enoch Allee and others right here in town. In the event of this fine new strawberry being as widely known as it merits its discoverer, Mr. Steele should reap a handsome reward for his skill and industry in producing it.

ODESSA

Miss Ella Berry is in Philadelphia this week.

Mr. Frank Massey is visiting friends in Wilmington this week.

Miss Ethel Malley is spending some time with friends at Atglen, Pa.

Miss Frances Haller is spending this week with Wilmington relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. William Eccles spent last Friday with relatives in Wilmington.

Mr. John Wiest and daughter, Blanche spent Friday with friends in Wilmington.

Miss Edna Ewell attended the Sunday School Convention at Barville, Tuesday.

Miss Francis Austin, of Boyd's Corner, spent last week with her sister, Mrs. Joseph Heller.

Miss Corinne Kielkopf, of Philadelphia, is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Kate Stidham, this week.

Mrs. John Woodal, of Millington, Md., visited her cousin, Mr. and Mrs. George Boyer, last week.

Miss Edna Barker, of Millford, was the guest of Miss Edna Ewell Wednesday and Thursday last.

Mrs. Ida Heller, of Wilmington, spent several days last week with her sister, Mrs. William Heller.

The Brotherhood of St. Pauls M. E. Church are planning to give a banquet about November 10th.

Mr. George L. Townsend and family entertained the Rev. T. L. Poulson, of Ridley Park, Sunday.

Mrs. William F. Curtis and children, of Wilmington, are visiting her father, Mr. D. W. Corbit, this week.

Mr. Edward Rhein, of Philadelphia, was an over Sunday visitor with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Rhein.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Stevens who have been spending some time in Philadelphia where Mr. Stevens has been under treatment at the Jefferson Hospital, have returned home. Mr. Stevens is improving slowly and has the best wishes for a speedy return to health.

TOWNSEND

Byard Schwab and wife spent Tuesday at Cheswold.

Mrs. Harry Gill entertained the Ladies Aid Society Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Rosie Wilson, of Smyrna, returned home after spending a week in town.

Mr. W. N. Watts and wife spent Sunday at Horace Vanduyke's, near Smyrna.

Miss Maudie Smith, of Philadelphia, spent Tuesday with L. L. Maloney and family.

Kenneth Watts and wife attended the funeral of her brother William Everett, of Cheswold.

Mrs. Margaret Ginn and Mrs. Jennie Reader spent Monday at George Ginn's on the "Levee".

Miss Meta MacSorley, Mrs. W. A. Scott and Mrs. L. L. Maloney spent Saturday in Philadelphia.

Mr. Harry Collins, wife and daughter, Ruth, of Smyrna, spent Sunday with D. S. Richardson and family.

Mrs. Samuel Townsend returned home Monday, after spending several days with John Townsend, and family.

Mr. James Reynolds and sister, Mrs. Ginn and friend, of Clayton, spent Sunday with William Reynolds.

Ralph Vanduyke, wife and daughter, Grace, of



## The Modern Way

BY GEORGE HOLT

(CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK)

Something in the girl's ton made Jimmie look at her quickly. Again? he asked gently. Marion nodded in silence. I'm sorry; what did he say this time?

Just as usual, replied the girl. But I told him—She hesitated. I told him I would!

There's no one near, said Jimmie, looking around. There—and thank you! What else did he say?

He said that—if you ever got him into a flying machine, which you will not, then I might marry you any old time I please.

There was a twinkle in Jimmie's eyes which Marion didn't notice. A moment later they climbed up on the machine and Jimmie began to explain the mechanism. Marion knew about as much as he about theoretical aerodynamics, and Jimmie smiled appreciatively as she asked questions. Much in the machine was his own, but not all. For he had possessed himself of the best principles of others' flying machines before he worked out his own problems.

As he pointed out this feature and that to Marion, the girl's heart grew big with love and admiration, and there was a certain pain in the thought that she loved her.

Jimmie threw off the gear connecting the engine with the fans, and turned on a switch. There was a faint click and then a very low, sweet hum. See that, he exclaimed, patting the little aluminum engine lovingly. There isn't as much vibration in that as there is in—a monument. Put your hand there.

Marion obeyed. Through the hand resting on top of the engine ran a faint thrill—but otherwise she would not have known that the machine was in operation.

Isn't it a darling? asked Jimmie.

Marion laughed back happily. I'm almost jealous of it, she answered. Jimmie reassured her. Then followed a quarter hour of low-voiced conversation, heard only by the flying-machine.

I'm afraid we can't do it, said Marion finally, as she rose to leave.

We can try, maintained Jimmie. And if we succeed—

I think he'd keep his word, even though it was given—as it was.

Then, said Jimmie, closing the big doors of his June-bug, it's worth trying.

Perhaps it was mere curiosity that moved him; perhaps, also, it was actual interest in the question of how long it would take flying-machines to supersede railroads; but something caused Jeremiah Walsh to accompany his daughter to witness the flight of Jimmie Daniel's "June-Bug." Of course, he knew perfectly well that Marion would go whether he went or not; and he also had an idea somewhere in his thoroughly practical head that, in case anything untowardly occurred, it would be just as well for him to be on hand to carry his daughter off the field, and prevent her making a scene.

Furthermore, having defiantly declared that Marion should not marry a man who, as he put it, lived by hours, he was inclined to make that decision effective with as little pain to his daughter as possible. Therefore, he had resolved to greet Jimmie with all possible courtesy.

The big machine stood on the slide when they arrived. There was something about it, in the way that it balanced, and in the way its wings seemed to be taking the preliminary droop before spreading themselves for a long soar. "Jeremiah found himself growing somewhat enthusiastic as he looked at it, even though he knew nothing about horse-powers and air resistance and supporting area, in this application to aeroplanes. Had you asked him about locomotives, he could have told to an ounce the difference in resistance offered by a Bradley engine and the U. P. Express.

Jeremiah, Marion and Jimmie climbed up the stairway to the platform from which descended the railed incline. They were the only persons enjoying that honor, and had it not been for the fact that Jeremiah was Marion's father, it is doubtful whether even he would have been admitted to the platform.

Jimmie had to explain once more. This lever was against the wings and the steering gear; this other was to

operate the lateral rodder and the new third plane which represented Jimmie's own particular contribution to the art of flying. Here, at the foot, were the levers which controlled the engine. Jimmie disconnected the engine and exhibited its different speeds, as indicated by the modulating hum. Jeremiah didn't notice that Jimmie left it on at the lowest speed, and here was the cut-off for the fans, so that the machine could soar a few minutes while the engines and fan rested.

But what's the use, objected Jeremiah Walsh, standing near the engine. What's the use so long as no one except the operator can go? What good would a locomotive be if only the engineer could ride on the train?

Jimmie pointed to a seat. There's room for two, he said. And I think there might be room for another. This business is largely in the experimental stage as yet, you see. When we get so we can always carry two or three, then it's simply a matter of development in order to carry ten or twelve or fifty.

Jeremiah appeared incredulous. Now you see this chair, continued Jimmie. It's an invention of my own. The seats in most of the biplanes are fastened solidly to the frames. This one—sit down in it and I'll show you.

Jeremiah, carefully drawing his coat tails about him, sat down in the red-cushioned seat.

This one, you see, continued Jimmie, is on springs planned to take up the motion of the machine. Thus—

Here I shouted Jeremiah. What the devil!

The machine had suddenly shot down the track, giving Marion's father a painful feeling in the pit of his stomach.

Sit down, sir, admonished Jimmie. I'm very sorry. But the whirr of the machine drowned his voice and he grinned as he adjusted himself in his own seat and reached for the levers. He pulled one of these, and, with a rush of air, the machine rose.

It all happened so quickly that Jeremiah scarcely had time to realize that he was gripping the handles of the chair when he further realized that he was sitting back with a resignation which he didn't know he possessed. Then the true state of affairs came home to him, and he tried to stand up. Jimmie's cool tones caused him to sink back again abruptly.

If you want to take a tumble, that young man shouted without turning his head, just stand up. The machine had told him that his companion had moved. Jeremiah didn't want to take a tumble; indeed, for the moment he could think of nothing that he wanted to take less. So he remained seated. Then it occurred to him to take his gaze off the back hair of Jimmie in order to see where they were. He looked downward, down through the cross-bars that supported his chair—and looked suddenly upward again.

Put on the brakes, he said weakly, and let her slow down.

Jimmie seemed not to hear. He slid a lever ever so slightly toward him, and the machine gave a sudden swoop upward that chilled the blood in Jeremiah's veins.

Don't be afraid, encouraged Jimmie. I've tried out this engine to a standstill; she'll run upside down if necessary.

Jeremiah didn't see the beauties of an engine that could run upside down. I wish to descend, he announced.

Why? questioned Jimmie.

Jeremiah was astonished. Why? he repeated. Why? What in thunder do I want to do way up here? Let me descend at once.

Jimmie smiled. Now or never, thought he.

I've been wanting to talk with you for a long time, he began.

Jeremiah groaned.

I wasn't exactly responsible for this opportunity, continued Jimmie, but seeing it's here—

I wish to descend, repeated Jeremiah. We're—why, we must be up a hundred feet!

Five hundred, corrected Jimmie. There—please don't move for just a moment, don't even breathe unless you have to. There seems to be something the matter with the engine.

Jeremiah felt his heart stand still.

Will it—is it dangerous? he inquired. Oh, no, responded Jimmie cheerfully. It means only a fall of about a quarter of a mile if the thing stops.

Jimmie, said Jeremiah, you've got more nerve than any man I ever knew.

So? questioned Jimmie unenthusiastically. Why?

Jeremiah was silent. Jimmie moved a lever. For perhaps a minute Jeremiah neither breathed nor thought. The machine gave one up-tilted swoop, slid over what seemed to be a monstrous air-wave, and then dropped like a toboggan.

How's that? asked Jimmie, as they soared forth again on the level some hundred feet above the earth. How'd'y like that?

There was no answer. Holding on with both hands to his chair, Jeremiah noted absentmindedly the farmhouse which he had expected to strike. He felt the car give another lurch and saw the farmhouse disappear very suddenly.

Jimmie, he said, I want to get down.

Can't, said Jimmie.

But, Jimmie—I'm—I've got a wife and—

—and daughter— I'll relieve you of one of them, replied Jimmie, bending slightly back with his lever. We're now going to see if we can get over the river without falling in. My engine has had the buoyancy test added.

Jimmie—There was a sound of surrender in the name.

What, sir?

Don't you—don't you care anything at all for Marion?

Jimmie's foot pressed a pedal. Do I care for Marion? he repeated. Some. Well, then; why do you want to go and break your foot neck?

Do you want to descend? asked Jimmie. The question seemed superfluous. Jeremiah didn't notice that they were just skimming the roof of another farmhouse.

Please, Jimmie, he said. And Marion? questioned Jimmie. Jeremiah hesitated a moment. Jimmie pulled a lever and the machine nearly turned a somersault.

Sit down, shouted Jeremiah. Jimmie moved his other hand slightly to the left and the machine swung around in a big circle.

In that case we'll—well, we go back he announced.

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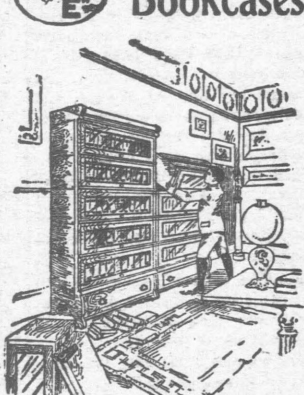
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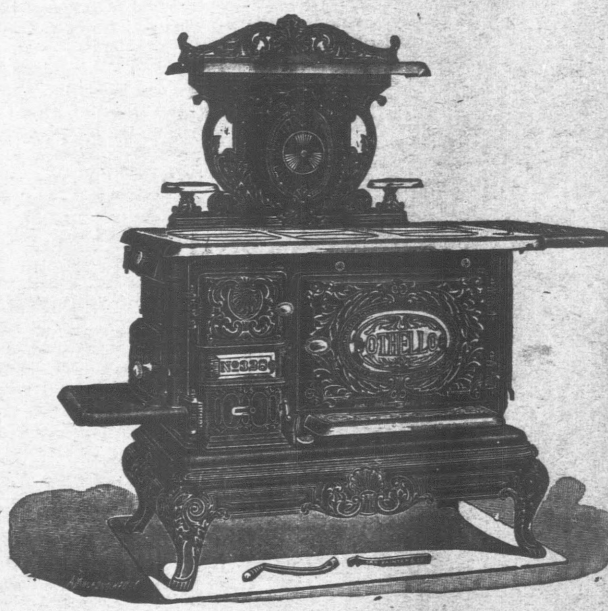
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